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: PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR MANUFACTURING FREE-FLOWING

METAL FOAM

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner of Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, Applicant hereby wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention the following documents for the Examiner's consideration.

- (1) WO 01/62416. This document is discussed on paragraph [0004] of the instant application;
- (2) EP 0 666 784. This document is discussed on paragraph [0005] of the instant application;
- (3) AT 410 104, which is an Austrian patent based upon Austrian application 936/2001, which is discussed on paragraph [0006] of the instant application; and

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(4) AT 410 103, which is an Austrian patent based upon Austrian application

935/2001, which is discussed on paragraph [0007] of the instant application.

Copies of above-listed documents are enclosed as is a completed copy of the PTO-

1449 Form listing these documents. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to consider the

above-noted documents and to indicate such consideration by returning a signed initialed

copy of the PTO-1449 Form with the next official communication.

Applicant notes that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three

months of the filing of the instant application. Accordingly, consideration of the enclosed

document is required under 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)(1).

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, he is invited to contact the

undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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